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Our Case No. 9281-3969

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Yasuji Hagiwara et al.)
Serial No. 09/819,273)
Filing Date: March 28, 2001)
For: Character Input Apparatus)

Examiner: Vincent Kovalick
Group Art Unit No.: 2673

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SECOND AMENDMENT

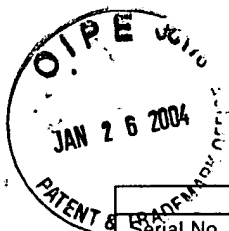
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 9281/3969
Serial No. 09/819,273	Filing Date March 28, 2001	Examiner Vincent Kovalick	Group Art Unit 2673
Inventor(s) Yasuji Hagiwara et al.			
Title of Invention CHARACTER INPUT APPARATUS			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Amendment (9pp.) and PTO Reply Postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
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First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				

Small Entity		or	Other Than Small Entity	
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x \$9 =			x \$18 =	
x 43 =			x \$86 =	
+ \$145 =			+ \$290 =	
Total add'l fee	\$		Total add'l fee	\$

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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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